Dear Mr. McLerran,			70	4
The EPA's proposed clea	anup of the Portland Harbor	r is a big win for pol	luters and a bad	leal for the public. The dra
cleanup plan relies too r	nuch on "monitored natural	recovery," a "do no	thing" strategy tl	nat leaves pollution in the
river in the hopes that it	will either be covered over	or flushed downstre	am. A more aggr	essive cleanup plan is
needed to prevent conti	nued harm to human health	and the environme	nt. On behalf of a	ll people who rely on the
river for food, recreation	n, employment, culture, and	wildlife viewing op	portunities, I rec	ommend:
1) That at least 1,000	acres of polluted sediment l	be removed from the	e river.	
2) The Cleanup Plan	must result in the removal o	of the Fish Consump	tion Advisory so	that eating fish from the
Lower Willamette is just	as safe as eating fish from a	anywhere else in the	Willamette Rive	r System and this must
occur within a 10-20 yea	ir time frame.	- B		
3) Toxic dredged sedi	ments must be taken to an a	appropriate landfill.	Creating a toxic	waste disposal dump in ot
river is not acceptable.	4			
4) Entities with liabili	ty for the pollution must be	held accountable ar	id pay for a comp	rehensive cleanup that wi
protect the health of our	communities, our environn	nent and our wildlif	e.	
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These elements get u	s closer to the plan our o	communities des	erve. We desei	ve a clean, safe Portlai
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